HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE d/b/a POINTE COUPEE GENERAL HOSPITAL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AND

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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FOR THE YEARS ENDED

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Commissioners Hospital Service District No. 1 Parish of Pointe Coupee New Roads, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of Pointe Coupee, dba Pointe Coupee General Hospital, for the years ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, as listed in the foregoing table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Pointe Coupee General Hospital as of October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued a report dated February 8, 2002 on our consideration of Pointe Coupee General Hospital's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws and regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjuntion with this report in considering the results of our audits.

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Our audits were performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Certified Public Accountants

February 8, 2002

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Balance Sheets - Unrestricted Funds October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

Assets	2001	2000	1999
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents (Note 5) Assets limited as to use - required for current	\$ 2,081,656	\$ 938,650	\$ 1,571,097
liabilities (Note 6) Patient accounts receivable, net of estimated	22,137	79,148	57,204
uncollectibles (Note 7) Estimated third-party payor settlements Other receivables Sales tax receivable (Note 8) Notes receivable, current maturities Inventory Prepaid expenses	1,264,537 315,323 271,171 -0- -0- 287,170 57,788	1,701,755 200,685 55,536 108,832 -0- 268,865 64,833	1,481,624 -0- 47,569 95,141 9,894 253,336 85,000
Total current assets	4,299,782	3,418,304	3,600,865
Assets limited as to use (Note 6)	1,396,505	2,877,320	2,140,918
Property, plant and equipment, net (Note 9)	9,031,583	8,830,422	8,650,287
Other assets Investments LHA investment	4,707,655 415,778	2,879,247 463,220	3,745,710 222,550
Total assets	\$ <u>19.851.303</u>	\$ <u>18.468.513</u>	\$ <u>18,360,330</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balance			
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued expenses and withholdings payable (Note 11)	\$ 413,379 597,263	\$ 240,268 563,710	\$ 812,864 550,252
Unearned grant revenue Estimated third-party payor settlements	24,079 	-0- -0-	-0- <u>224,058</u>
Total current liabilities	1,034,721	803,978	1,587,174
Fund balance - unrestricted	18,816,582	17,664,535	16,773,156
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ <u>19.851.303</u>	\$ <u>18,468,513</u>	\$ <u>18,360,330</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Statements of Operations - Unrestricted Funds For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	2001	2000	<u> 1999</u>
Revenue: Net patient service revenue	\$11,368,457 1,646,804	\$10,532,821 1,205,904	\$ 9,986,138 1,143,155
Sales tax revenue Grant income	8,829	20,000	-0-
Gain (loss) on disposal of equipment	5,570	3,100	24,197
Other revenue	126,353	118,729	111,066
Total revenue	13,156,013	11,880,554	11,264,556
Expenses:			
Salaries and benefits	5,280,889	4,947,229	4,906,395
Medical supplies and drugs	1,121,440	1,199,451	1,140,421
Insurance	206,292	192,946	208,801
Depreciation	804,052	801,507	666,636
Interest	-0-	-0-	6,650
Provision for bad debts	1,728,141	1,230,296	887,663
Other expenses	_ 3,125,335	3,162,352	_3,043,221
Total expenses	12,266,149	<u>11,533,781</u>	10,859,787
Operating income (loss)	889,864	346,773	404,769
Nonoperating income (loss):			
Income on investments whose use is limited	107,532	185,031	152,716
Other investment income	245,851	450,775	298,587
Payments to Police Jury	(91,200)	(91,200)	(91,200)
Nonoperating income, net	262,183	544,606	360,103
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ <u>1.152.047</u>	\$ <u>891.379</u>	\$ <u>764.872</u>

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Statements of Changes in Fund Balance For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	Unrestricted Funds
Fund balance, October 31, 1999	\$ 16,773,156
Excess of revenues over expenses	891,379
Fund balance, October 31, 2000	17,664,535
Excess of revenues over expenses	_1,152,047
Fund balance, October 31, 2001	\$ <u>18.816,582</u>
Composition of fund balance: Transfer from Police Jury Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 6,063,588 _12,752,994
Total fund balance	\$ <u>18.816.582</u>

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Statements of Cash Flows - Unrestricted Funds For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

		2001		2000		1999
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Operating income (loss)	\$	889,864	\$	346,773	\$	404,769
Interest expense considered capital financial						
activity		-0-		-0-		6,650
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net						
cash provided by operating activities:						
Depreciation		804,052		801,507		666,636
Provision for bad debts		1,728,141		1,230,296		887,663
(Gain) loss on disposal of assets		(5,570)		(3,100)		(24,197)
(Increase) decrease in:			_			
Net patient accounts receivable		(1,290,923)	(1,450,427)		(514,989)
Estimated third-party payor settlements		(114,638)		(424,743)		(63,008)
Other receivables		(215,635)		(7,967)		67,964
Sales tax receivable		108,832		(13,691)		7,579
Inventory		(18,305)		(15,529)		21,611
Prepaid expenses		7,045		20,167		(16,676)
Increase (decrease) in:						
Accounts payable		173,111		(572,596)		556,505
Accrued expenses and withholdings payable		33,553		13,458		34,998
Unearned grant revenue		24,079		-0-		-0-
Notes payable		-0-		-0-		(960,000)
Health insurance reserves	-	57,011	•	(21,944)	-	8,862
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	_	2,180,617	-	(97,796)	-	1,084,367
Cash flows from investing activities:						
LHA Insurance Trust		47,442		(240,670)		(120,905)
Income on investments whose use is limited		107,532		185,031		152,716
Other investment income		245,851		450,775		298,587
Assets limited as to use		1,480,815		(736,402)		1,142,674
Unrestricted investment		(1,828,408)		866,463	(1,218,164)
Proceeds of notes receivable		-0-		9,894		12,497
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	\$_	53,232	\$	535,091	\$_	267,405

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Statements of Cash Flows - Unrestricted Funds (Continued) For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	2001	2000	1999
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities: Payments to Police Jury	\$(91,200)	\$(91,200)	\$ <u>(91,200)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by noncapital financing activities	(91,200)	(91,200)	(91,200)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: Interest paid on long-term debt Purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from sales of capital assets	-0- (1,005,213) 5,570	-0- (981,642) 3,100	(6,650) (841,497) 24,197
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	(999,643)	(978,542)	(823,950)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,143,006	(632,447)	436,622
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	938,650	_1,571,097	_1,134,475
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ <u>2.081.656</u>	\$ <u>938.650</u>	\$ <u>1.571.097</u>
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:			
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$	\$ <u>6.650</u>

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

Organization - Pointe Coupee Hospital Service District No. 1 (referred to herein as "Pointe Coupee General Hospital" or the "District") was created by an ordinance of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury on June 5, 1979. The District's area includes all of Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana.

The District is a political subdivision of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury whose jurors are elected officials. Its nine Commissioners are appointed by the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury. As the governing authority of the Parish, for reporting purposes, the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for the District. Accordingly, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury based on Statement No. 14 of the National Committee on Governmental Accounting. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the District and do not present information on the police jury, the general governmental services provided by that governmental unit or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

Nature of Business - The District provides outpatient, emergency and inpatient acute hospital services, as well as home health care services. It also provides services to the parish ambulance service, health unit, mental health unit, substance abuse unit and the Council on Aging.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies.

Financial Reporting Entity - The accompanying financial statements of Pointe Coupee General Hospital present the financial position, the results of operations and the cash flow of the proprietary fund type.

Accounting for Proprietary Fund Types--Enterprise Fund - The accounts of the District are organized into a proprietary fund type which includes the hospital operations and the remaining operations. The operations of the proprietary fund are accounted for by providing a set of self-balancing accounts which is comprised of assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues and expenses.

Enterprise funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

Basis of Accounting - Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. All proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, revenues are reported when earned (rather than when received) and expenses are reported when incurred (rather than when paid).

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Statement of Revenues and Expenses of General Funds - For purposes of display, transactions deemed by management to be ongoing, major, or central to the provision of health care services are reported as revenues and expenses. Peripheral or incidental transactions are reported as gains and losses.

Net Patient Service Revenue - Net patient service revenue is reported at the estimated net realizable amounts due from patients, third-party payors, and others for services rendered, including estimated retroactive adjustments under reimbursement agreements with third-party payors. Retroactive adjustments are accrued on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined.

Credit Risk - The District provides medical care primarily to Pointe Coupee Parish residents and grants credit to patients, substantially all of whom are local residents.

The District's estimate of collectibility is based on an evaluation of historical collections compared to gross revenues to establish an allowance for uncollectible accounts.

Charity Care - The District provides care to patients who meet certain criteria under its charity care policy without charge or at amounts less than its established rates. Because the District does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, they are not reported as revenue.

Significant Concentration of Economic Dependence - The District has an economic dependence on a small number of staff physicians who admit over 90% of the District's patients. Revenues from Medicare and Medicaid are significant. Accordingly, government changes in reimbursement significantly impact the District.

Investments and Investment Income - Investment income from general fund investments is reported as a nonoperating gain.

The District considers its unrestricted cash and investments with original maturities in excess of 90 days to be an investment.

Income Taxes - The District is a political subdivision and exempt from taxation.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - Cash and cash equivalents include investments in highly liquid debt instruments with a maturity of three months or less, excluding amounts whose use is limited by board designation.

Assets Limited as to Use - Assets limited as to use is composed of assets set aside by the Board of Commissioners for future capital improvements and for third-party payor contingencies over which the Board retains control and may, at its discretion, subsequently use for other purposes. Assets limited as to use that are required for obligations classified as current liabilities are reported in current assets.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts - The District establishes an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts which determines estimated collectibility based upon an aging of accounts receivable.

Inventory - Inventory is valued at the lower of cost or market value. Cost is determined by the first-in, first-out method.

Property and Equipment - Property and equipment acquisitions are recorded at cost for assets purchased and if donated, at fair market value on the date of donation. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful life of each class of depreciable assets and is computed using the straight-line method. Equipment under capital leases is amortized over the shorter period of the lease term or the estimated useful life of the equipment. Such amortization is included in depreciation and amortization in the financial statements. The useful lives of property and equipment for the purpose of computing depreciation as established by the American Hospital Association are: buildings-25 to 40 years; machinery and equipment-5 to 30 years; furniture and fixtures-5 to 15 years.

Expenditures for additions, major renewals and betterments are capitalized and expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred. The cost of assets retired or otherwise disposed of and the related accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the accounts in the year of disposal. Gains or losses resulting from property disposals are credited or charged to operations currently.

Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of management's estimates.

NOTE 3 - CHARITY CARE

The District maintains records to identify and monitor the level of charity care it provides. These records include the amount of charges foregone for services and supplies furnished under its charity care policy, the estimated cost of those services and supplies, and equivalent services statistics. The following information measures the level of charity care provided during the years ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999.

	2001	2000	1999
Charges foregone, based on established rates	\$ 218,112	\$ 177,689	\$ 257,352
Estimated costs and expenses incurred to provide charity care	\$ 157,176	\$ 113,521	\$ 202,057
Equivalent percentage of charity care patients to all patients served	1.4%	1.3%	2.6%

NOTE 4 - NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE

The District has agreements with third-party payors that provide for payments to the District at amounts different from its established rates. A summary of the payment arrangements with major third-party payors follows.

Medicare - Inpatient acute care services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries are paid at prospectively determined rates per discharge. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic, and other factors. Certain outpatient services related to Medicare beneficiaries are paid based on a cost reimbursement methodology. The District is reimbursed for cost reimbursable items at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the District and audits thereof by the Medicare fiscal intermediary. The District's classification of patients under the Medicare program and the appropriateness of their admission are subject to an independent review by a peer review organization under contract with the District. Home health is reimbursed based upon a prospectively determined rate per visit. The District's Medicare cost reports have been examined by the Medicare fiscal intermediary through October 31, 1998. The intermediary may reopen and further adjust any year within three years of the date of a Notice of Program Reimbursement.

Medicaid - Medicaid inpatient services are reimbursed based on a prospectively determined per diem rate. Most Medicaid outpatient services are reimbursed under a cost reimbursement methodology. The District is reimbursed at a tentative rate for cost based services with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the District and audits thereof by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary. The District's Medicaid cost reports have been audited by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary through October 31, 1997.

Blue Cross - Inpatient services rendered to Blue Cross subscribers are reimbursed at prospectively determined rates per day of hospitalization. The prospectively determined per-diem rates are not subject to retroactive adjustment.

The District has also entered into payment agreements with certain commercial insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations. The basis for payment to the District under these agreements includes prospectively determined rates per discharge, discounts from established charges and prospectively determined daily rates.

NOTE 5 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents as of October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, consisted of funds in interest bearing checking accounts which are insured against loss by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and/or secured by a pledge of federal and Louisiana debt securities.

NOTE 6 - ASSETS LIMITED AS TO USE

Assets limited as to use are summarized below. Investments are stated at cost that approximates market.

		2001	200	00	,	1999
Limited by board for capital improvements Limited by board for third-party payor	\$	840,555	\$ 1,45	8,069	\$ 1,	,483,912
contingencies		325,300	648	3,300		630,838
Limited by board for debt repayment		24,127	22	2,464		26,168
Limited by agreement - Health Insurance		22,137	79	9,148		57,204
Limited by board for elderly housing project	<u></u>	206,523	748	3,487	 .	<u>-0-</u>
	1	,418,642	2,956	3,468	2,	198,122
Less assets for current use		(22,137)	(79	9,148)		(57,204)
Total	\$ <u>_1</u>	<u>,396,505</u>	\$ <u>2.87</u>	7.320	\$ <u>2</u>	140.918

NOTE 7 - PATIENT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

A summary of patient accounts receivable is presented below.

	2001	2000	1999			
Hospital patient receivables	\$ 1,848,628	\$ 2,116,261	\$ 1,821,254			
Home Health patient receivables	130,268	218,438	215,604			
	1,978,896	2,334,699	2,036,858			
Less estimated uncollectibles	714,359	632,944	555,234			
		.				
Total	\$ <u>1.264.537</u>	\$ <u>1.701.75</u> 5	\$ <u>1,481,624</u>			
mmary of gross Medicare and Medicaid charges follows:						

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	2001	2000	<u>1999</u>
Medicare patients Medicaid patients	\$ 5,770,446 _1,999,998	\$ 4,654,730 _1,819,250	\$ 4,376,162 1,502,980
Total	\$ <u>7.770.444</u>	\$ <u>6.473.980</u>	\$ <u>5.879.142</u>
Percent of all patients	<u>48%</u>	42%	42%

NOTE 8 - SALES TAX RECEIVABLE

On September 29, 1984, a 1% sales tax was renewed by the citizens of the parish for an indefinite term. The resolution provides that 50% of such tax shall be dedicated to the District. Those tax revenues are distributed to the parish Council on Aging (\$5,250 per month) and the parish Coroner's Office (\$3,650

NOTE 8 - SALES TAX RECEIVABLE (Continued)

per month through April 2001 and \$3,950 per month thereafter). The remaining tax revenues are designated by the District to be distributed to hospital operations.

The citizens of the parish approved an additional .25% sales tax for the hospital's operations that remains in effect through May 3, 2007.

Sales tax receivable consists of \$108,832 and \$95,141 of sales taxes collected by the parish in October 2000 and 1999, respectively, and remitted to the District in November 2000 and 1999, respectively.

NOTE 9 - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The following is a summary of property, plant and equipment and related accumulated depreciation for the year ended October 31, 2001.

	October 31, 2000	Additions	Deletions	October 31, 2001
Land improvements Buildings & improvements Equipment Work in process	\$ 1,272,849 115,739 8,749,291 4,317,226 213,601	\$ -0- -0- 213,346 118,497 673,370	\$ -0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	\$ 1,272,849 115,739 8,962,637 4,435,723 886,971
Total	\$ <u>14.668.706</u>	\$ <u>1.005.213</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>15.673.919</u>
	AC October 31, 2000	CCUMULATED I	DEPRECIATION Deletions	N October 31, 2001
Land Land improvements Buildings & improvements Equipment	\$ -0- 87,307 3,127,249 _2,623,728	\$ -0- 7,024 300,234 <u>496,794</u>	\$ -0- -0- -0- -0-	\$ -0- 94,331 3,427,483 _3,120,522
Total	\$ <u>.5.838.284</u>	\$ <u>804.052</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>6.642,336</u>

NOTE 9 - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

The following is a summary of property, plant and equipment and related accumulated depreciation for the year ended October 31, 2000.

	ASSET COST				
	October 31, <u>1999</u>	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	October 31, <u>2000</u>	
Land improvements Buildings & improvements Equipment Work in process	\$ 1,272,849 115,739 8,267,104 4,018,161 13,211	\$ -0- -0- 482,187 299,065 200,390	\$ -0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	\$ 1,272,849 115,739 8,749,291 4,317,226 213,601	
Total	\$ <u>13.687.064</u>	\$ 981.642	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>14.668.706</u>	
	October 31,		DEPRECIATIO	October 31,	
	1999	Additions	Deletions	2000	
Land improvements Buildings & improvements Equipment	\$ -0- 80,176 2,845,066 _2,111,535	\$ -0- 7,131 282,183 512,193	\$ -0- -0- -0- -0-	\$ -0- 87,307 3,127,249 _2,623,728	
Total	\$ <u>5.036.777</u>	\$ <u>801.507</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>5.838,284</u>	

The following is a summary of property, plant and equipment and related accumulated depreciation for the year ended October 31, 1999.

	1998	Additions	Deletions	October 31, 1999				
Land	\$ 1,288,887	\$ -0-	\$ 16,038	\$ 1,272,849				
Land improvements	119,725	-0-	3,986	115,739				
Buildings & improvements	8,327,206	95,940	156,042	8,267,104				
Equipment	5,526,546	798,610	2,306,995	4,018,161				
Work in process		13,211		13,211				
Total	\$ <u>15.262.364</u>	\$ 907.761	\$ <u>2,483.061</u>	\$ <u>13.687,064</u>				

NOTE 9 - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION							
	October 31, <u>1998</u>		A	dditions	Dele	tions	October 31, <u>1999</u>	
Land	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	\$	-0-
Land improvements	7	6,717		7,445		3,986		80,176
Buildings & improvements	2,66	7,217		281,291	1	03,442	2,8	45,066
Equipment	_4.04	3,004		377,900	_2,3	09,369	_2,1	11,535
Total	\$ 6.78	6.938	\$_	666,636	\$_2.4	16.797	\$_5.0	36.777

NOTE 10 - INVESTMENTS (including Limited Use)

Investments are classified as Held-to-Maturity securities and are therefore reported at amortized cost of any premium or discount as market declines are deemed temporary.

An analysis of security types at October 31, 2001 follows:	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc.	\$ <u>5.731.567</u>	\$ <u>5,731,567</u>
An analysis of security types at October 31, 2000 follows:		
Debt securities issued by the U. S. Treasury and other U. S. Government Corporations and agencies	\$ <u>3,447,206</u>	\$ <u>3.663.691</u>
Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc.	\$ <u>1.401.743</u>	\$ <u>1,401,743</u>
An analysis of security types at October 31, 1999 follows:		
Debt securities issued by the U.S. Treasury and other U.S. Government Corporations and agencies	\$ <u>3.351.225</u>	\$ <u>3.520.000</u>
Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc.	\$ <u>2,313,631</u>	\$ <u>2.313.631</u>

NOTE 11 - ACCRUED EXPENSES AND WITHHOLDINGS PAYABLE

A summary of accrued expenses follows:

	2001	2000	<u> 1999</u>
Salaries and wages Compensated absences Payroll taxes and withholdings	\$ 225,346 275,197 96,720	\$ 194,568 237,156 131,986	\$ 176,430 246,060 <u>127,762</u>
Total accrued expenses	\$ <u>597,263</u>	\$ <u>563.710</u>	\$ <u>550.252</u>

NOTE 12 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Upon completion of six months of employment, employees are eligible for paid time off (PTO). The amount in which each employee is entitled varies depending upon the job classification, length of service, number of hours worked each week and other factors. A maximum of 200 hours may be carried over from year to year. Any excess must be paid or used by January 31, of a subsequent year. Vested PTO time has been recorded as a liability in the accompanying financial statements at the payroll rates in effect at the balance sheet date.

NOTE 13 - NOTE PAYABLE

The District signed a note with the United States Department of Agriculture on October 30, 2000, borrowing \$977,016 at 1% with a due date of November 1, 2030. The note is secured by two parcels of land owned by the District. These funds are to be used on the \$1.6 million dollar elderly housing project. No liability has been established as of year end since funds were not received until subsequent to year end.

NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN

The District participates in the Parochial Employees' Retirement System (a contributory, governmental and multi-employer plan). Although the plan is obligated to the District's employees under a defined benefit formula, the District is obligated to the plan for a defined contribution amount (7.75% of gross wages after December 31, 1996). Employees also contribute 9.5% of salary to the plan. The District's pension plan expenses were \$329,157, \$293,640, and \$285,009 in 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

There is no age exclusion for participation in the pension plan. An employee is vested after 7 years of service. Withdrawal from the plan prior to the 7 years results in refund of only the employee contribution, without interest.

NOTE 15 - PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY RISK

The Louisiana Patient's Compensation Fund - The District participates in the Louisiana Patient's Compensation Fund ("PCF") established by the State of Louisiana to provide professional medical liability coverage to health care providers. The fund provides for \$400,000 of coverage per occurrence above the first \$100,000 per occurrence for which the District is at risk. The fund places no limitation on the number of occurrences covered. In connection with the establishment of the Patient's Compensation Fund, the State of Louisiana enacted legislation limiting the amount of settlement for professional liability to \$100,000 per occurrence and limiting the PCF's exposure to \$400,000 per occurrence. Defense costs are not included in these amounts.

The Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund - The District's membership in the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund provides additional coverage for professional medical malpractice liability. The trust fund bills members in advance, based upon an estimate of their exposure. At policy year-end, premiums are redetermined utilizing actual losses of the District. The trust fund presumes to be a "Grantor Trust" and, accordingly, income and expenses are pro-rated to member hospitals. The District has included these allocations and equity in the trust in its financial statements.

NOTE 16 - WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

The District participates in the Louisiana Hospital Association Self-Insurance Workmen's Compensation Trust Fund. Should the fund's assets not be adequate to cover claims made against it, the District may be assessed its pro-rata share of the resulting deficit. It is not possible to estimate the amount, if any, of additional assessments. The trust fund presumes to be a "Grantor Trust" and accordingly, income and expenses are pro-rated to member hospitals. The District has included these allocations and equity in the trust in its financial statements.

NOTE 17 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The District evaluates contingencies based upon the best available evidence. The District believes that no allowance for loss contingencies is considered necessary. To the extent that resolution of contingencies results in amounts which vary from the District's estimates, future earnings will be charged or credited.

The principal contingencies are described below:

Governmental Third Party Reimbursement Programs - The District is contingently liable for retroactive adjustments made by the Medicare and Medicaid programs as the result of their examinations as well as retroactive changes in interpretations applying statutes, regulations, and general instructions of those programs. The amount of such adjustments cannot be determined. Federal and state budget restraints are increasing the time period taken to pay Medicare and Medicaid claims and the Medicaid program is delaying payment of year-end statements.

The healthcare industry is subject to numerous laws and regulations of Federal, state and local governments. These laws and regulations include, but are not necessarily limited to, matters such as licensure, accreditation, government healthcare program participating requirements, reimbursement for

NOTE 17 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

patient services, and Medicare and Medicaid fraud and abuse. Recently, government activity has increased with respect to investigations and allegations concerning possible violations of fraud and abuse statutes and regulations by healthcare providers. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in expulsion from government healthcare programs together with the imposition of significant fines and penalties, as well as significant repayments for patient services previously billed. Management believes that the Hospital is in compliance with fraud and abuse statutes as well as other applicable government laws and regulations. Compliance with such laws and regulations can be subject to future government review and interpretation as well as regulatory actions unknown or unasserted at this time.

Medicaid Uncompensated Cost - The District received interim amounts of \$948,628, \$554,831 and \$425,975 for Medicaid and self-pay uncompensated care services for the years ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively. The interim amounts received are based upon uncompensated cost incurred in previous years. Current regulations require retroactive audit of the claimed uncompensated cost and comparison to the interim amounts paid by Medicaid in each fiscal year. Any overpayments will be recouped by Medicaid and the District has not made any provisions for such recoupments. Management contends interim amounts paid reasonably estimate final settlement. To the extent Management's estimates differ from actual results, the differences will be used to adjust income for the period when differences arise.

Professional Liability Risk - The District is contingently liable for losses from professional liability not underwritten by the Louisiana Patient's Compensation Fund or the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund as well as for assessments by the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund.

Workmen's Compensation Risk - The District participates in the Louisiana Hospital Association Self-Insurance Workmen's Compensation Trust Fund. Should the fund's assets not be adequate to cover claims made against it, the District may be assessed its pro rata share of the resulting deficit. It is not possible to estimate the amount of additional assessments, if any. Accordingly, the District is contingently liable for assessments by the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund.

Hill-Burton Uncompensated Service and Community Service Obligations - As a result of the Police Jury receiving a federal Hill-Burton program grant, the Hospital is required to provide a reasonable volume of uncompensated services (determined by a formula provided by the Federal government) to patients who are unable to pay for their medical care. Additionally, the grant requires the District to provide certain community services. During 1992, the District received certification under the Public Facility Compliance Alternative (PFC). This certification allows the facility to operate its own free or reduced cost care program, without compliance reviews. During 1999, the District met its Uncompensated services obligation under the Public Facility Compliance Alternative. Additionally, the District is obligated to provide community service.

Bonne Sante' Center Obligation - The Board of Commissioners of Pointe Coupee Parish Health Service District No. 1, with consent from the District Attorney's office, approved payments to the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury for reimbursement of the Bonne Sante' Center's expenditures. These payments are evaluated on a year to year basis. The District paid \$92,416, \$86,485 and \$81,806 for Bonne Sante' Center's expenditures in 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

NOTE 17 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Payments to Police Jury - In November 1995 and March 1996 the Hospital transferred \$85,000 (per year) to the Police Jury. During 2001, 2000 and 1999, the Hospital transferred \$91,200, \$91,200 and \$91,200, respectively, to the Police Jury for the District's portion of 911 service. The District stated that said transfers were funded from interest income.

Litigation and Other Matters - Various claims in the ordinary course of business are pending against the District. In the opinion of management and counsel, insurance is sufficient to cover adverse legal determinations in those cases where a liability can be measured.

NOTE 18 - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The following schedule presents a list of the members of the Board of Commissioners of Pointe Coupee General Hospital at October 31, 2001.

Mr. Mix Vosburg, Chairman

Mr. Chris Battley

Mr. James Boulanger

Dr. Donald Doucet, M.D.

Mr. Don A. Ewing, Secretary

Mr. Nick Cicero

Mr. Maurice Picard, Vice Chairman

Dr. Carl McLemore

Ms. Juliet Williams

These commissioners serve the District without compensation, per diem or reimbursement of expense, except actual cash out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

NOTE 19 - OPERATING LEASES

Leases that do not meet the criteria for capitalization are classified as operating leases with related rental charged to operations as incurred. The following is a schedule by year of future minimum lease payments under operating leases as of October 31, 2001, that have initial or remaining lease terms in excess of one year.

Year Ending October 31	Amount
2002	\$ 56,955
2003	50,965
2004	30,698
2005	23,582
2006	_18,326
Total minimum lease payments	\$ <u>180.526</u>

NOTE 20 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Pointe Coupee General Hospital is in the process of building an elderly housing facility and making renovations to the health unit at October 31, 2001. The estimated cost of the finished projects are \$1,632,000 and \$124,579, respectively.



Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Schedules of Net Patient Service Revenue Unrestricted Fund

For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	2	001	2	000	19	999
Routine services: Adult and pediatric	\$	689,145	\$	779,506	\$	869,035
Other professional services: Operating room		445,055 3,410		428,428 3,760		459,688 2,640
Recovery room Anesthesiology Radiology		161,795 2,894,393		173,623 3,067,276		148,935 2,699,246
Laboratory Cardio pulmonary		3,007,408 1,616,140		2,942,431 1,173,158 764,377		2,622,790 1,180,526 767,829
Physical therapy Occupational therapy		837,923 105,808 35,220		100,110 22,370		74,254 31,555
Speech therapy Medical supply Pharmacy		646,799 825,601		785,554 948,592		635,846 962,325
Emergency service Home health		3,484,272 <u>1,410,201</u>	-	2,574,673 1,622,035	_	1,968,949 1,601,568
Total other professional services	_	15,474,025		14,606,387		13,156,151
Total patient service revenue	•	16,163,170		15,385,893	•	14,025,186
Deductions from revenue: Medicare & Medicaid contractual adjustments Medicaid Dispro payment Employee discounts Uncompensated services		4,040,014 (948,628) 21,248 218,113 1,463,966		3,503,016 (554,831) 15,966 177,690 1,711,231	•	2,694,777 (425,975) 16,967 230,149 1,523,130
Other Total deductions from revenue		4,794,713		4,853,072		<u>4,039,048</u>
Net patient service revenue	\$.	<u>11,368,457</u>	\$	10.532.821	\$.	<u>9,986,138</u>

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Schedules of Other Revenue Unrestricted Fund For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	2001	2000	<u> 1999</u>
Rent	\$ 98,416	\$ 75,781	\$ 71,130
Medical record abstracts	144	456	3,930
Cafeteria	25,453	24,607	24,745
Donation	2,340	915	-0-
Miscellaneous revenue	0-	16,970	11,261
Total	\$ <u>126.353</u>	\$ <u>118.729</u>	\$ <u>111.066</u>

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Schedules of Expenses - Salaries and Benefits Unrestricted Fund

For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	2001	2000	1999
Salaries:			
Administration	\$ 692,066	\$ 598,942	\$ 602,975
Plant operations and maintenance	190,903	167,542	156,247
Laundry	14,982	13,038	14,941
Housekeeping	180,398	181,341	196,476
Dietary and cafeteria	149,351	125,391	124,746
Nursing administration	67,288	55,234	53,793
Medical records	128,790	116,550	121,006
Nursing services	842,298	866,832	880,586
Central supply	55,402	55,699	54,419
Operating room	117,096	106,971	83,148
Radiology	298,642	348,944	326,709
Laboratory	408,712	369,202	373,733
Cardio pulmonary	156,518	155,649	151,993
Pharmacy	72,687	72,389	65,944
Emergency room	446,359	433,727	425,473
Home health	. 681,611	659,214	656,779
Clinic	40,238	22,509	6,580
Hospice	7,870		
Total salaries	_4,551,211	_4,349,174	_4,295,548
Benefits:			
Employee benefits	435,833	401,678	393,750
Hospitalization insurance	293,845	196,377	217,097
Total benefits	729,678	598,055	610,847
Total salaries and benefits	\$ <u>5.280.889</u>	\$ <u>4.947.229</u>	\$ <u>4.906.395</u>

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Schedules of Expenses - Medical Supplies and Drugs Unrestricted Fund For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	20	01	20	000	19	999
Administration Plant operations and maintenance Laundry Housekeeping Dietary Central supply Medical records Nursing services Operating room Anesthesiology Radiology Laboratory and blood Cardio pulmonary Physical therapy Central supply Pharmacy Emergency room Home health Clinic Hospice	\$	61,111 11,357 9,774 17,948 80,159 12,920 4,280 24,741 13,422 309 89,936 288,048 39,492 11,359 162,302 242,159 26,676 15,941 7,492 2,014	\$	57,545 10,194 10,019 15,996 76,173 35,216 5,401 23,315 -0- 299 144,548 273,611 52,009 7,242 177,831 261,383 24,842 15,970 7,857 -0-	\$	65,451 11,664 8,991 14,683 68,347 -0- 3,280 2,354 16,014 183 155,180 275,889 50,237 9,751 127,760 273,257 24,223 27,832 5,325 -0-
Total medical supplies and drugs	\$	1,121,440	\$	1.199.451	\$_	1,140,421

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Schedules of Expenses - Other Expenses Unrestricted Fund

For the Years Ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

	2001	2000	1999
Purchased services	\$ 1,355,751	\$ 1,349,004	\$ 1,268,470
Medical specialist	713,117	793,262	722,119
Collection fees	37,420	39,558	34,648
Supplies	43,479	53,653	49,632
Repairs and maintenance	162,918	126,012	204,881
Utilities	228,022	219,797	177,938
Telephone	53,995	51,009	49,743
Trave!	105,467	108,977	103,825
Rentals	63,041	67,665	100,369
Advertising	19,411	13,673	15,301
Dues and subscriptions	81,860	31,877	29,577
Management fees	72,640	138,365	131,526
Bonne Sante'	92,416	86,485	81,806
Miscellaneous	95,798	83,015	73,386
Total other expenses	\$ <u>3.125.335</u>	\$ <u>3.162.352</u>	\$ <u>3.043.221</u>

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Combining Statement of Operations For the Year Ended October 31, 2001

Total	\$11,368,457 1,646,804 8,829 5,570 5,570	13,156,013	5,280,889	804,052	3,125,335	12,266,149	889.864	107,532 245,851 (91,200)	262.183	\$ 1.152.047
District**	\$ -0- 427,229 -0- -0-	504 495	21,518	-0 <u>-</u> 60,748	-0- 95,061	177,327	327.168	수수수	Ċ	\$ 327.168
lnnis	¢	ġ		8,138		8.138	(8.138)		ġ.	(8.138)
Substance Abuse	\$ \$	o d		5,013	93,420	98,433	(98.433)		-O-	(98.433) \$.
-District Summary- Health Unit	-0- \$ 45,900	45,900	32,485	787	14,609	47,881	(1.981)		-0	(1.981) \$
Mental Health	↔	9		7,728		7.728	(7.728)		-	(7.728) \$.
COA*	63,000	63.000		1,828	687.99	68,617	(5.612)		¢	(5.61Z) \$.
Hospital	\$11,368,457 \$ 1,110,675 8,829 5,570 5,570	12,542,618	5,226,886	719,810		11.858.025	684,593	107,532 245,851 (91,200)	262,183	\$ <u>946.776</u> \$
	Revenue Net patient service revenue Sales tax revenue Contributions and grants Gain (loss) on disposal of equipment Other operating revenue	Total revenue	Expenses Salaries and benefits Medical supplies and drugs Insurance	Depreciation Provision for had debte	Other expenses	Total expenses	Operating income (loss)	Nonoperating income (loss) Income on investments whose use is limited Other investment income Payments to Police Jury	Nonoperating income, net	Excess of revenues over expenses

^{*}Council on Aging

^{**}Remaining non-hospital activities of the District

Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Combining Statement of Operations For the Year Ended October 31, 2000

District** Total	\$ -0- \$ 10,532,821 299,657 1,205,904 20,000 3,100 67,256 118,729	366,913 11,880,554	27,019 4,947,229 1,199,451 192,946 55,446 801,507	1,230,296 1,230,296 82,912 3,162,352	165,377 11,533,781	201,536 346,773	185,031 450,775 (91,200)	-0- 544.606	\$ 201.536 \$ 891.379
innis	\$ -0.000	20.000		8.632	8,632	11.368		9	11.368
Substance Abuse	ب	ď	5,013	92,087	97,100	(97.100)		o-	(001 400)
District Summary- Health Unit	\$ 43,800	43,800	1,034	19,426	20.460	23,340		0-	23 340
Mental Health	¢	o-	7,728		7.728	(7.728)		d-	(7 778)
COA*	-0- 93,000	63.000	1,828	63,319	65.147	(2.14Z)		0-	(2 147)
Hospital	\$ 10,532,821 799,447 20,000 3,100 31,473	11,386,841	4,920,210 1,199,451 192,946 730,458	1,230,296	11,169,337	217,504	185,031 450,775 (91,200)	544.606	\$ 762 140
	Revenue Net patient service revenue Sales tax revenue Contributions and grants Gain (loss) on disposal of equipment Other operating revenue	Total revenue	Expenses Salaries and benefits Medical supplies and drugs Insurance Depreciation	Provision for bad debts Other expenses	Total expenses	Operating income (loss)	Nonoperating income (loss) Income on investments whose use is Iimited Other investment income Payments to Police Jury	Nonoperating income, net	Excess of revenues over expenses

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Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 Combining Statement of Operations For the Year Ended October 31, 1999

Total	\$ 9,986,138 1,143,155 -0- 24,197 11,264,556		1,140,421 208,801 666,636 6,650 887,663 3,043,221 10,859,787 404,769	152,716 298,587 (91,200) 360,103
District**	\$ -0- 286,500 61,630		44,300 43,575 71,296 159,171	\$ 188.959
Substance Abuse	ф 6		83.541 88.136 (88.136)	\$ (88.136)
District Summary— Health Unit		088*17	316 44.336 44.652 (16.656)	\$ (16.656)
Mental Health	ې ب	4	7,084	\$ (7.084)
COA*		63,000	2,200 64,944 67,144 (4,144)	\$ (4.144)
Hospítal	\$ 9,986,138 765,659 -0- 24,197 49,436	10.825.430	4,862,095 1,140,421 208,801 608,866 6,650 887,663 2,779,104 331,830	152,716 298,587 (91,200) 360,103
	Revenue Net patient service revenue Sales tax revenue Contributions and grants Gain (loss) on disposal of equipment Other operating revenue	Total revenue	Expenses Salaries and benefits Medical supplies and drugs Insurance Depreciation Interest Provision for bad debts Other expenses Total expenses	Nonoperating income (loss) Income on investments whose use is limited Other investment income Payments to Police Jury Nonoperating income, net Excess of revenues over expenses

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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance and on Internal Control
Over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of General Purpose
Financial Statements Conducted in Accordance with
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners Hospital Service District No. 1 Parish of Pointe Coupee New Roads, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of Pointe Coupee, ("Pointe Coupee General Hospital") for the years ended October 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated February 8, 2002. We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Pointe Coupee General Hospital's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Pointe Coupee General Hospital's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Board of Commissioners Hospital Service District No. 1 Parish of Pointe Coupee Page Two

This report is intended for the information of the Board of Commissioners, management and the office of the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

Lester Mille: Wells

Certified Public Accountants

February 8, 2002